

CHIEF FIRE OFFICER
KENTISH TOWN FIRE STATION.

BUILDING CONTROLLER
DEPT. CAMDEN COUNCIL.

1. CONCERNING FIRE ISSUES RELATING TO MATERIALS SPECIFICATIONS, BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, FIRE STOPPING, AND FIRE LOADING.
2. ISSUES THAT ARISE IN RELATION TO NEW BUILD AT 59-61 LEIGHTON RD. NWS 2QH.
3. 59-61 LEIGHTON RD IS BASICALLY A TIMBER FRAME STRUCTURE (BALLOON STRUCTURE) INTERNAL SKIN PLASTERBOARD, EXTERNAL SKIN "PLASTIC", (UPVC? POLYPROPYLENE?) FORMED TO TAKE "STICK A BRICK" TILES (CERAMIC?). INSULATION IS A MIXTURE OF "URETHANE" FOAM AND "FIBREGLASS" (MINERAL WOOL).
4. WINDOWS APPEAR TO BE ALUMINIUM FRAMED.
5. ONCE THE INTERNAL OR EXTERNAL SKINS ARE COMPROMISED THE PLASTICS, TIMBER AND ALUMINIUM WILL BURN READILY. FIRE RETARDED PLASTICS WILL ALSO READILY BURN BUT PRODUCE CHLORINE GAS AND VERY VERY FINE PARTICULATE MATTER WHICH INSTANTLY BLOCK LUNGS.
6. THE STRUCTURE DEPENDS ON FIRE STOPPING AND PLASTERBOARD TO PREVENT RAPID COLLAPSE. HAS THE QUALITY AND COMPETANCE BEEN MONITORED?
7. THE SUBSTITUTION OF UPVC/ALUMINIUM WINDOWS IN ALL TYPES OF BUILDINGS WITHOUT INCREASED 'BAFLING' PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED BY 'ILLS' SHOULD BE STOPPED IMMEDIATELY. THE UNDERSTANDING OF FIRE SPREAD PRINCIPLES WERE UNDERSTOOD IN THE 19C AND BY "FIRA".
8. FIRE LOADING, THE MATERIALS USED IN MODERN FURNISHINGS, TOYS, BROWN AND WHITE GOODS CONTAIN HUGE QUANTITIES OF STORED ENERGY MIXED WITH AIR.
9. RISK ANALYSIS CRITERIA ARE OUT OF DATE, FIRE TRANSMISSION, & STOPPING ARE NOT ADEQUATE, LOADINGS FAR EXCEED PAST ENERGY DENSITIES, SPEED OF FIRE PROGRESSION, AND NOW VERY HIGH TEMPERATURES.

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14/6/17

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Dear Sir/Madam

PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION

I am writing to let you know that a planning application has been received for work to the property or site listed below. The proposal may affect you or your neighbourhood. I would like to invite you to comment on the application so that your views can be taken into consideration before the application is decided.

Address:
Former 59-61 Leighton Road
London
NW5 2QH

The Proposed Work:
Variation of condition 15 of permission ref 2013/1614/P granted on 18/06/2013 (as amended by 2014/0582/P dated 07/05/2014) for the erection of two buildings, one four storey mixed use with office (B1) at part basement and part ground floor level, and residential with 2x 2 and 3x 3 bedroom units (Class C3) at part basement, part ground, first, second and third floor levels; one three storey residential building with 4x 2 bedroom units (Class C3) at basement, ground, first and second floor levels following demolition of existing public house (A4) and ancillary residential use building (To amend bin and cycle store and squaring of residential entrance, addition of step in site boundary, brown zinc cladding instead of copper and slate cladding, increase of parapet height by 100mm, curved wall to rear of main building changed to chamfered corner and amendment to window sizes).

Included with this letter is advice about commenting on applications and how to find out more information about the application.

We must receive your written comments within **21 days** of the date of this letter. You can comment for or against an application or simply raise an issue without saying whether you support the application or not. We will try to take into account any comments received after the 21 days if a decision on the application has not been made.

Executive Director Supporting Communities

